



PATENT APPLICATION

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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In re application of:) Examiner: Tran, Mylinh T
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For: DEVICE DISCOVERY AND CONTROL) Group Art Unit: 2179
IN A BRIDGED HOME NETWORK)
Application No.: 09/592,596) Reply to Office Action
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REPLY IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 2, 2006 OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action of November 2, 2006 in the above-referenced patent application. Reconsideration and allowance of the patent application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Please charge any deficit or credit any surplus to our Deposit Account No. 01-1960. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed for this purpose.

The Claims are shown in the listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

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